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Bus collision on Hwy 118 interrupts field trip

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

A Grade 8 graduation trip didn't get off to a great start when the two buses carrying Don Valley Middle School students to Camp White Pine in Haliburton collided on the morning of June 12.

"One bus jammed on the brakes, and the other one rear-ended him," said Jon Schumacher, who witnessed the scene on Hwy 118 at Camp White Pine Court and called paramedics.

Students suffered minor injuries including cut lips and neck and back pain.

"They're shaken up; it's scary," said Tyler Gmyrek, lead teacher for the trip.

All five county ambulances as well as EMS management attended to the accident, transporting students to the Haliburton Hospital for assessment while others waited, reportedly in stable condition, on spinal boards for the ambulances to return. Fifty-two students and four teachers were on the buses, and 16 students were transported to hospital.

"We flagged all the resources we had on duty to ensure all patients that required transport to the hospital were transported expediently, and appropriate patient care

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Lobsterfest cooks up funds for community

From left, Rotarians George Kadoke, Richard van Nood, Jerry Walker, Jeff Strano and Steve Roberts prepare lobsters for the meal at the third annual Lobsterfest fundraiser in Haliburton on June 10. Almost 200 people attended the event, which raises money for the Haliburton Rotary Club's local initiatives. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

Committee recommends against rezoning for church

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Much to the delight of Harmony Road residents, Dysart et al's public meeting committee is recommending against a rezoning application that would allow Lighthouse Pentecostal Church to begin services in their neighbourhood in the for-

mer home of Millennium Fitness.

The rezoning application first came to a public meeting on April 3. The property is currently zoned rural residential and environmental protection and the church was requesting a zoning of residential type 1 exception and environmental protection. The rezoning was a condition of the purchase of the property by the church.

The gym at the site had started as a

home-based business, with the owners eventually applying for a minor variance to increase the size.

At the April 3 meeting, numerous Harmony Road residents expressed concerns including those about noise, traffic, overflow parking, snowplowing and drainage from the property's parking lot, which would have

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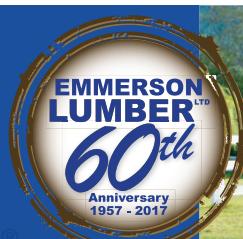


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Students update Highlands East on septic inspection

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed during a June 7 meeting of Highlands East council.

Student inspectors Adam Bird and Robert Carter updated council on the progress of the septic maintenance inspection program.

Since the beginning of May, 299 properties on Glamor Lake have been inspected, with 203 (68 per cent) being considered low risk, 60 properties (20 per cent) categorized as moderate, 31 properties (10 per cent) being high risk and five (two per cent) being very high risk. Half of the properties on Billings Lake have been inspected as well.

Follow-up letters sent to homeowners after initial assessments report on the state of the septic systems and whether or not there is a need for a follow-up inspection.

"We've had very positive responses from homeowners and everyone on the lakes," said Bird. "So far we haven't come across anyone that's given us a hard time."

After Billings Lake, properties on Stormy Lake, Tamarack Lake and Trooper Lake will be assessed.

"I'm amazed at how quickly you guys have moved along," said Reeve Dave Burton. "Keep up the good work."

Monmouth landfill application denied

An application for an expansion of the Monmouth landfill has been denied by the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC).

The application asked for an expansion of 40,000 cubic metres, but was denied due to being the second expansion asked for in the last decade, which the MOECC considers lack of long-term planning. The first application was made in 2007.

"We can push back and see what we can do, but it doesn't look good," said Stewart Hurd, environmental supervisor.

The denial means other options, including a potential environmental screening might have to take place.

Councillor Cec Ryall asked if anything might be done to encourage more recycling and reduce waste entering the landfill.

"From what I can see," said Hurd, "we're maximizing what we can do at this time."

Hurd and Deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge plan to attend a Zero Waste Ontario Conference this week.

Cardiff Water service line replacement update

The Cardiff Water Service Project will tentatively begin before the end of the month, and is projected to take three and a half months to complete. A crew from Fowler's Construction will start replacing the infrastructure at the north end of town, moving south.

Council was asked to approve a single source, WSP

Group Canada for project management and contract administration at a cost of \$36,520, and also to add a component called a wedding ring to the project to avoid leaks. The aftermarket custom part costs about \$6 per unit, adding approximately \$1,500 to the cost of the work. "A similar project was completed and experienced leaking following the completion of the project, which was located at the connection of the new infrastructure and the old," wrote Hurd in his report.

Fire equipment retired

Firefighting equipment older than 10 years from the date of manufacture must be retired, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

"After going through inventory, we found several pieces were out of date though still in good condition, unfortunately," said Chris Baughman, acting fire chief.

The total cost of replacing the equipment is \$32,557 plus tax. Baughman noted that \$9,820 was already budgeted for equipment, leaving a remaining \$22,737 to cover the cost of the purchase. A new fire truck was budgeted for 2017, but Baughman's report states that purchase will likely not happen this year, and funds could be reallocated from the capital account for the gear.

Baughman said some of the retired gear could be used as training equipment if it's clearly labelled as such. Firefighters Without Borders will also take donations of used gear to be used in Canada and internationally.

'It is a difficult road if you don't know the area'

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rendered," said Tim Waite, deputy-chief, Haliburton County Paramedic Service.

Uninjured students were taken to the camp to eat and await the Toronto District School Board's decision about whether or not the camp, scheduled until June 14, would continue.

"It's a long way to come and then not have the chance to actually stay and enjoy being up here," said Gary Dyszkant of Camp White Pine, who was on scene to help. "It'll be something to tell your high school on your first day."

Dyszkant said the accident was unfortunate on what was to be a relaxing trip.

"It is a difficult road if you don't know the area because it is just after the corner," he said. "I'm sure the bus drivers have never been there before, they came up from Toronto. We've never had that type of incident where two buses collided bringing people here. It's a first for us."

Haliburton Highlands Health Services distributed a press release after the bus accident.

"At this time, the injured students and severity of the injuries is unknown," said the release from Carolyn Plummer, president and CEO. "HHHS has increased staffing to assist with the volume and has initiated a Code Orange, which aims to coordinate a safe and effective response to an external disaster or event that may increase the capac-



Two buses carrying students from a Toronto area school collided on Highway 118 near Camp White Pine on Monday. Minor injuries were reported at the scene. Many of the students were taken to Haliburton's hospital, where they were assessed. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

ity of the hospital."

The investigation is ongoing, according to Haliburton Highlands OPP.

Traffic would impact street, deputy-reeve says

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increased in size in order to accommodate the church. The committee deferred the issue to a May 1 public meeting, awaiting the completion of a site plan for the application. At the May 1 meeting, residents reiterated concerns, including about drainage. With the building's maximum occupancy of 140 people, regulations require that a minimum of 35 parking spots be created.

The issue was deferred again, to a public meeting June 5. It had also been recommended that the applicant obtain a traffic brief from the Ministry of Transportation, though to the township's knowledge, that report had not been prepared and submitted by the applicant.

"The fact we've had three public meetings shows you how inclusive this process has been," Dysart planning director Patricia Martin told a room full of Harmony Road residents at the outset of the June 5 meeting. "It has been a thorough process."

"This municipality has to accept any application," Martin said, adding those applications are then evaluated using the Planning Act.

Residents of the road were once again prepared with statements and new information they believed made the case the church should not be located on their road.

"Thanks Pat for addressing the role of the municipality," said Deputy-reeve and committee chairwoman

Andrea Roberts. "Our job is to make a recommendation. We are not a decision-making body."

Roberts also told the crowd she'd like to address some misconceptions that had shown themselves during the process. "Language like it's a done deal . . . and I take a little offence to that," she said. "Please have faith in the process."

Roberts then told the room the committee would be making a recommendation against the church's application. She said she'd asked herself if she's want up to 50 cars driving down her street on Sunday morning.

"And the answer's no, I wouldn't," she said. "Regardless of what the MTO says, I do feel the traffic would have a negative impact. It comes down to compatibility in your neighbourhood. I feel it is not a fit."

Committee member Councillor Nancy Wood-Roberts said it was her job to represent the neighbourhood and that the only people the committee had heard speak in favour of the application were the applicants.

"I did say, at one point, that I'd support the neighbourhood," Wood-Roberts said. "The congregation was represented by just two people."

She said she didn't think the church had demonstrated the need for the facility. "Other than the applicant, there was nobody in favour," Roberts said. The committee's recommendation will be forwarded to Dysart et al council for consideration at a June 26 meeting.

Winning design brings lake to the kitchen

ROBERT MACKENZIE

Staff Reporter

A Bob Lake kitchen renovation has won Haliburton interior decorating company ACM Designs a silver medal



Andria Cowen Molyneaux, pictured, is the owner and principal designer of ACM Designs and has been operating in Haliburton since 2012. /Photo courtesy ACM Designs

in this year's Canadian Decorators' Association Decorating and Design Competition.

Andria Cowen Molyneaux, ACM's owner and principal designer, said she was excited that a Haliburton project received recognition. "Mostly these competitions are dominated by professionals from larger urban centres," she said. "To represent our community like that on that stage was awesome."

The association has held the design competition annually for the past 23 years to showcase Canada's most outstanding design projects. The awards are split into nine categories; ACM's renovation was awarded second place in the Kitchens above \$50,000 group, while also competing in Bathrooms under \$25,000.

Industry leaders from across Canada judge the competitors based on layout and functionality, along with aesthetics (how pleasing it is, do countertops match cupboards, etc.).

Molyneaux believes her kitchen stood out because of its functionality and use of colour. They were able to double storage and countertop space on the project using the same floor plan. And because her clients were water lovers, Molyneaux said water was the inspiration for the kitchen design, which included "Hudson Bay Blue" paint colour. "In every one of my designs in the county



This Bob Lake kitchen renovation won ACM Designs a silver medal in the Canadian Decorators' Association Decorating and Design Competition. The annual awards cover nine categories and aim to showcase Canada's best design projects. /Photo courtesy ACM Designs

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my No. 1 principle is bringing the outside inside," she said.

ACM has been operating in Haliburton since 2012 and manages between eight and 13 projects at any time. Molyneaux said one of the goals in her projects is to engage with local tradesmen whenever possible. "We're a local business so we have to support other local businesses," she said.

The work on the award-winning Bob Lake renovation was all done by local trade professionals, even down to the photographer who took the photos submitted for the awards.

This was the first time ACM has entered the design awards, which were announced at association's annual general meeting in Toronto April 28.

Chamber focuses on advocacy

ROBERT MACKENZIE

Staff Reporter

Richard Wannan was approved as the new president of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce at the group's annual general meeting last Tuesday.

Wannan, who works for the Haliburton County Development Corporation, was one of five officers of the board appointed at the AGM, along with vice-presidents Linda Baumgartner and Trevor Chaulk, secretary Andrea Strano and treasurer Lisa Gregorini.

The theme of Tuesday's meeting was advocacy. Ontario Chamber of Commerce representative Tracy Hanson spoke at the event, saying that the Haliburton chamber needs to continue its collaboration with the Ontario chamber in order to advocate amidst proposed changes to Ontario's Labour Act. "I

think what's important for the business community, and represented through the chamber, is to stick together and work in conjunction with the Ontario chamber...to make sure that Haliburton's voice is heard when we take those messages forward to government about the changing legislations," she said.

Several members at the meeting raised concerns about changes to Ontario's employment standards, which the Haliburton and Ontario chamber opposed in a letter to the Ontario government last month. Most notably, proposed changes will include a \$15 minimum wage by 2019 and an increased minimum number of vacation days.

In the meeting's auditor's report, finance chair Cheryl McCombe, who stepped down from her position following the meeting, announced that the Haliburton chamber had paid off its \$18,156 long-term debt thanks to the sale of their former building off highway 35.

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Centre aims to advance sustainability education

JENN WATT

Editor

The Highlands has a long history of environmental education. Partnerships throughout Haliburton County and into Peterborough and the Kawartha regions had led to the success of several programs including the sustainable building program at Fleming College, U-Links Centre for Community Based Research and the proliferation of outdoor education centres.

Inclusion in the Regional Centre of Expertise for Sustainable Education, a United Nations designation, is an indicator of the strength of the current programming in Haliburton County, said Jane Gray, sustainability policy and education advisor for the regional centre.

Gray led a launch event at Fleming College in Haliburton on Wednesday, June 7, which featured representatives of several of the area's environmental initiatives.

"You're testing sustainability education right here in the community in ways that can be applied provincially, nationally, or even internationally," Gray told the audi-

ence.

Regions around the world applied to be designated centres of expertise. One-hundred-fifty-four were selected around the world, eight in Canada, three in Ontario.

This region was selected because of its strong partnerships and high ratio of environmental education centres and programs, she said.

The centre received Trillium funding to get started and Gray anticipates funding will come from the partner organizations in the years to come. She told the *Echo* that the plan isn't to create a new bureaucracy, it's about strengthening the network and sharing the work done in this region with the world.

Presenting at Wednesday's launch were Ted Brandon, recently retired training officer from Fleming College; Heather Reid, operations director at Abbey Gardens; Emily Parish, a student environmentalist from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School; Barrie Martin, owner of Yours Outdoors; and Jim Blake, co-chair of U-Links Centre for Community Based Research.

Each panellist gave the audience a taste of the broad networks that already exist in the region and their accomplishments.

Brandon presented the list of 13 buildings created through Fleming's sustainable building program starting with the 4Cs Lily Ann and food bank in 2005.

Student builders learn the fundamentals of sustainable building while the client gets a less expensive facility, he said. While some of the early builds had a "hobbit-y" feel to them, the more recent builds are nearly indistinguishable from structures around them.

Brandon showed a photo of a house they built in Peterborough with Habitat for Humanity. Aside from the solar panels on the roof, it fit in architecturally with the other homes around it.

Other buildings in the Haliburton Highlands created by the college program include the food hub at Abbey Gardens, Haliburton Solar and Wind (also at Abbey Gardens), Kinark Outdoor Living Centre, Nature's Place and the Wilberforce library branch.

Innovation is also happening at the high school, Parish told the group. Through the Eco Team and outdoor education class, students are co-ordinating traditional environmental actions such as garbage collection and assisting with the children's water festival and newer concepts such as cellphone charging stations.

During Martin's presentation he stressed the importance of outdoor education to teaching sustainability. There are at least six year-round outdoor learning centres and 20 camps in the county, he said, and noted the legacy of the Bark Lake Leadership Centre and the Frost Centre.

He said tourism can play a role in helping people connect to the natural world and said many of the local operators are dedicated to sustainable tourism.

Blake expanded on U-Links' history, noting its origins came from academics seeking a way to make global issues into local action. Work done through U-Links has included studies on lake health, the social determinants of health, rural transportation, aging well, species at risk, leek moths and turtle mortality among others. Residents of the county can see the results of that work in area programming and organizations.

Reid used the recent creation of an Enchanted Forest to illustrate the work being done at Abbey Gardens. The play area for children created with repurposed materials not only gives kids something fun to do, but introduces them to nature.

"It creates that space where people can enjoy nature and make that heart connection that they then can carry through the rest of their lives and into adulthood," she said.

Abbey Gardens hosts school classes as well as home-school groups, teaching about the garden environment and local ecology. Like her fellow panellists, Reid was able to point to several partnerships that have strengthened the results of her organization's programming – a key component to success.

"We have so many strong partnerships in Haliburton that are already working and if we can take that to an international and national stage, that's pretty exciting. We have the goods and now we have the stage," she said.

Over the next year, the regional centre will be creating working groups and holding workshops, developing a governance structure and action plan, Gray said.

Objectives for the centre include "implementing age-appropriate sustainability education frameworks in formal and informal settings across the region," according to a slide presented on Wednesday. It is a goal of the organization to infuse sustainability into all educational programming, not just environmental studies.



Heather Reid from Abbey Gardens talks about the children's programming that teaches environmental awareness through play. Reid was part of a session at Fleming College in Haliburton to help launch the Regional Centre of Expertise for Sustainability Education. From left, Barrie Martin, Jim Blake, Reid, HHSS student Emily Parish and Ted Brandon. JENN WATT Staff

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Haliburton, Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit Annual Report 2016

A Report to Our Community: Protection

Welcome to the 2016 Annual Report of the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit.

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Starting today, and over the next two weeks, learn more about our work through stories, photos and statistics about what the Health Unit does to support the health of our residents and communities and you'll soon discover why we are your health partner for life!

Dr. Lynn Noseworthy
Medical Officer of Health, Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit



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The Health Unit also works with health care providers, including hospitals and long-term care facilities to determine what vaccines they need, checking that vaccine storage fridges are in good working order and coordinating vaccine delivery to them.

We also investigate outbreaks and work to control the spread of diseases. We work with other health care providers to ensure people who are behind on their vaccinations receive all immunizations or follow the course of treatment prescribed to them.

Getting vaccinated is part of a healthy lifestyle. The Health Unit considers vaccination an essential service that helps ensure people in our community get the protection they need... and deserve!



In Focus:

Certified Dental Assistant Jennifer Atkins, of the Health Unit, applies fluoride varnish to a Kindergarten student at a public school in Cobourg.

Each year, the Health Unit provides free fluoride varnish to hundreds of children attending local daycares and kindergarten classes to help prevent tooth decay.

In Form: Food Safety Checks Good For Business

Heather Strang is glad for the extra set of eyes Health Unit inspectors bring each time they do food safety inspections at her grocery store.

Strang's store is one of hundreds of local food premises – including restaurants, chip trucks, long-term care home kitchens, hospital cafeterias and more – inspected throughout the year by public health inspectors with the HKPR District Health Unit. The Health Unit carries out inspections to ensure food premises follow Ontario law by handling, maintaining and preparing food in a safe and sanitary manner.

"Anything that contributes to food safety at our store is important for our business. Our shoppers expect that we provide safe, healthy food choices in all situations," says

Strang, who co-owns Strang's Valu-Mart in Bobcaygeon with her husband, Fred. "I appreciate that the public health inspectors are thorough, as they may spot some things that I might not notice."



Heather Strang, of Valu-Mart in Bobcaygeon

During inspections, public health inspectors ensure store staff are safely cooking, preparing and storing food, and that all preparation surfaces and areas of the store are properly cleaned. Health Unit staff can also answer questions of store employees.

As well, when food has been recalled nationally, public health inspectors have contacted staff at all stores to make sure they are aware of the recall and have removed affected products from store shelves.

At Strang's request in 2016, the Health Unit also provided food handler training for her staff. "The training through the Health Unit helps our staff understand why things must be done a certain way to ensure food safety."

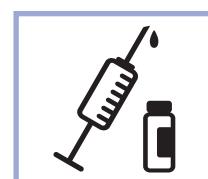
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Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir



Sun returns

by Jenn Watt

Preparing for Lyme disease

LATE LAST MONTH, the federal government announced a small, but important envelope of funding for a health issue that seems to get lots of attention, but little action.

Money was allocated to studying Lyme disease – \$4 million to establish a research network – just as a study coming out of St. Francis Xavier University indicates that the black-legged ticks, which carry the *Borrelia* bacteria, will spread as far as northern Ontario in the next 50 years.

As always, we can thank climate change for the spread of this disease, as black-legged ticks need warm temperatures to survive and hospitable regions are becoming ever more prevalent.

While the Highlands hasn't yet been found to host infected ticks, we know through studies conducted with veterinarians that local dogs have been exposed to the disease. (Most dogs don't ever show symptoms of the disease.)

Within the health unit (which stretches south to Port Hope), the disease has regularly been found in ticks (17 found in a 2015 study) and there have been confirmed cases within the larger region of humans contracting the disease.

However, maps provided by the provincial agency show that Haliburton County has so far avoided becoming a "risk area" for black-legged ticks.

(The health unit points out that ticks can travel on migratory birds and can therefore be found pretty much anywhere in Ontario.)

Lyme disease can be treated with antibiotics and is easiest to address if found early. A bull's eye shape left at a tick's feeding site on the skin is one

telltale sign. Other early symptoms include fatigue, fever, headaches and a rash. Later symptoms include tremors, memory loss and heart palpitations among a host of others.

For many years, the narrative around Lyme disease was often that of the sufferer being misdiagnosed again and again by health practitioners unfamiliar with the symptoms, since it can present like Alzheimer's or even Parkinson's disease.

However, there has been a steady stream of information coming from the local health unit and organizations such as the Canadian Lyme Disease Foundation.

Additionally, in July local health practitioners will be meeting in Bobcaygeon to hear from Dr. Petra Hopf-Siedel, a neurologist from Germany specializing in the disease. The intention of the meeting is to prepare local professionals for the rising rates of Lyme disease.

Research being done indicates that Lyme disease is not fully understood and though it is

treatable, false-negatives are common, prevention methods not always known and misdiagnoses still occur.

Locally, while we may not have Lyme disease yet, the likelihood is that it's coming.

It's also present in areas that most of us visit – in Pickering and Mississauga, along Lake Ontario in Prince Edward County and Kingston, for example – which means members of our community could easily come in contact with infected ticks.

We need our health-care system, public health workers and natural resources staff to be given the tools to protect the rest of us as it seems likely Lyme disease will become more common in years to come.



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As Rumi, another poet, once said
"there are 1,000 ways to kiss the earth."

There are more than 1,000 ways to start the day positively with kindness and happiness.

We each just have to make a choice and take action every day. For some it is a prayer. For some it is an early morning stand up paddle adventure on a quiet lake. For some it is time watching birds or digging hands into the garden. For some it is reading something inspirational. For some listening to music or walking the dog. There are so many ways to start our days well. It is such a gift to ourselves, and the people we come into contact with when our days start well.

When I teach yoga classes, my students come for one hour a week. What they learn and practice in that one hour is what they continue to learn and practice in their everyday lives. The formal

practice ends, but the informal practice continues.

We always start every class with an intention and a blessing. We are quiet, grateful and we focus on becoming present. It is a great way to start the class, and a great way to start the day. The yogis understood that many people have very tight jaws. We use the jaw all day to eat and talk and some people clench their jaws. So at the start of every class we relax and release the muscles and tendons and ligaments where the jaw attaches to the skull. And we maintain that in every pose whether we are lying on our backs or doing a standing balancing pose.

Perhaps starting the day with a few moments of relaxing the jaw is beneficial for some people.

The yogis have always recognized that being in contact with the earth is very settling for the nervous system. So starting your day with your feet on the earth is good for the whole system. There are so many ways to do that. There isn't one way that fits everyone. We are all unique and each need to find our own methods. The key is that you know yourself and what sets you up for a great day. Life is short. It all ends at some point.

I keep on trying to make the best of every day and it all starts when I wake up.

Tales from the great



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Green meadow

points of view

War is heck!

DEEP DOWN, I knew the peace couldn't last. Still, after our first war with the ants, I honestly thought their Queen would think twice about sending raiding parties into our sovereign territory once again.

After all, last year, in what historians will surely one day call the War of Antdependence, they took a lot of casualties and were eventually beaten decisively at the Battle of Bowl Run – and then, once again, at Spaghettisburg.

Oh sure, the ants never signed a formal peace treaty, but I honestly thought that was the ant war to end all ant wars. Heck, I prayed it was.

That's why I was surprised to see them send a reconnaissance party into the kitchen again a few days ago, in a flagrant act of provocation.

Despite what people whisper, I'm no hero. But I am pleased to say I repulsed them – and not just because I was in my underwear at the time. No, my determined counterattack also took a physical toll on their patrol. Better still, there were minimal losses on our side.

Amazingly, they haven't got the message yet. In fact, since then, the fighting has only escalated.

In the last three days, I have reported 36 confirmed kills and one prisoner, who, I'm sad to say, did not make it through interrogation by my chief of security, our cat Mumbles.

Like all wars, this one is controversial.

Jenn said, "Don't you think you might be getting a little carried away."

She's wrong, of course.

I happen to think the correct question is, "Don't you think you might be getting carried away, Colonel?"

As you might expect, Jenn is a good person who does not believe in violence or, evidently, saluting. But things change when an ant tries to crawl up her leg.

Even so, she is definitely a proponent of a measured response. That's why she says, no matter how light a load I shoot, using my .308 is too much escalation. And though she does not understand military matters, she's probably right. A .308 is overkill.

That's why I'm going to zero in the .243 tomorrow if there is a lull in the fighting.

What can I say? War is heck.

This morning, the action has been steady and I have already routed three patrols. Each skirmish involved vicious hand-to-hand combat, two reckless charges and only one act of blatant cowardice – but I got my nerve back.

And while I have the technological edge – what with a rolled up newspaper and all – the ants have numbers.

This morning, just after breakfast, my position was almost overrun by a wave attack.

Laugh all you want, but people who haven't been in this position tend to underestimate the lowly ant. But I can tell you, they are brave opponents. And they are tough and formidable too.

I always go into battle knowing that each ant can lift 10 times its own body weight. That means, if my calculations are correct, a co-ordinated effort by 20 or so could carry me away.

Whether they are good tacticians seems to be a different matter, however. My experience is that they never learn from their mistakes. For one thing, they don't have a clue what to do when being attacked by a newspaper. It's almost as if they were trained by Trump.

Even so, I suspect the fighting will be furious for the next day or so. I'm going out this afternoon to buy ant traps and enough Sweet and Lo to fill a sugar bowl. The latter is meant to demoralize – and it might bother the ants too.

As I write this, I am waiting for the next wave attack. The good news is it will be predictable.

Ants, as I said, are lousy tacticians. So, I will be expecting yet another a pincer movement.



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Loon Tales

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pic of the past

This photo was loaned to the Haliburton Highlands Museum by Curry Bishop. On the back it reads: "To My Dear Brother 726039 Cpl S Cooper A Coy 21st Can Bn B E F France, from Miss Shirley Cooper West Guilford Ontario Canada."

letters to the editor

Track team thanks Legion

To the Editor,

The following letter was written to the members of the Haliburton Legion.

Thank you very much for sponsoring the track meet at the Haliburton high school on Saturday [May 27]. Our Stuart Baker [Elementary School] team had 50 students participating at this meet. We all ran really fast, jumped our farthest and threw the ball a long way. It was a really fun day even though there were black flies biting us.

Thank you for all the ribbons and trophies.

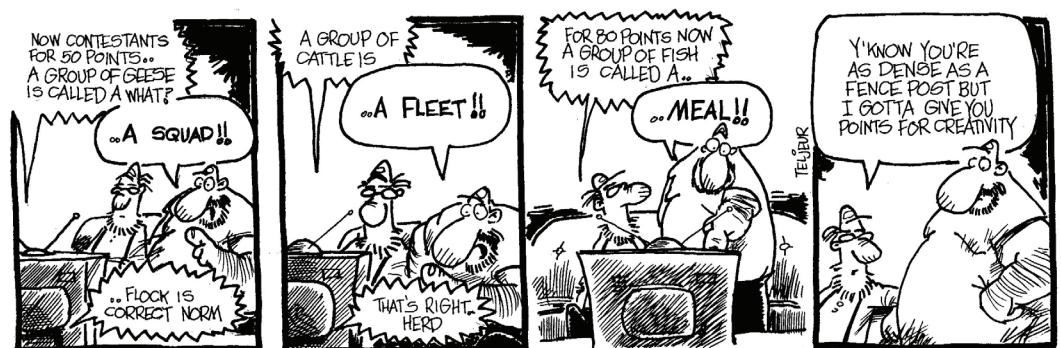
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Sculptures shaped by the landscape

ROBERT MACKENZIE

Staff Reporter

Five famous sculptors gathered in Haliburton to talk about the influence setting has had on their work at a panel discussion Wednesday evening.

The panel was part of the Haliburton Sculpture Forest's Sculpture Symposium festivities, and included artists Mary Anne Barkhouse, Jirí Genzer, Mary Ellen Farrow, Carole Turner and John McKinnon, four of whom are currently working on a sculpture for the forest as part of the symposium.

The theme of the talk, hosted by Sculpture Forest curator Jim Blake, was the impact place and setting can have on a sculptor's work, and vice-versa.

When asked how much of an effect the place they sculpt has on the final product, Farrow said she chooses to work outdoors whenever possible, which she finds inspiration from. "I love to work outside...the studio gets so dusty and dirty, you spend two hours carving and another hour cleaning up," she said. Farrow owns her own studio in Glen Williams, Ont. and is known around Haliburton for *A Walk in the Woods*, one of the earlier acquisitions in the Sculpture Forest.

Turner, an internationally renowned American artist who lives in Istanbul, Turkey, told the story of a marble sculpture she made in Vietnam to describe the impact a place can have on her work. In her time in the country she said she became involved with a Vietnamese family, who ended up fleeing as refugees. The sculpture she made was a memorial to



Artists Mary Anne Barkhouse, middle, and Jiri Genzer, right, talk at the Carving in Place panel at the Rail's End Gallery June 7. The panel, also including sculptors Mary Ellen Farrow, Carole Turner and John McKinnon, discussed the influence settings can have on their sculptures.

/ROBERT MACKENZIE Staff

that family's mother, and was placed near where the boats they fled the country on took off.

To finish off the panel, Blake asked the artists if they believe place influences art, or whether it's the opposite. Genzer used the work he's done in his native Czech

Republic as an example of the latter. "What I created in Prague is 40 years old. It's still in place and it's still influencing the surroundings," he said.

Both Turner and Genzer will be creating their first permanent sculpture in Canada as part of the symposium. Barkhouse and McKinnon, along with Farrow, already have pieces in the Forest. McKinnon created *Atmo-Sphere*, the large granite sphere with a hidden entrance, and the bronze and steel *A Conspiracy of*

Ravens. For her part, Barkhouse created the beloved bronze dog *Gelert*.

The Sculpture Symposium – held in celebration of Canada, Ontario and Dysart et al's 150 anniversary – began May 24 and commissioned Turner, Genzer, Farrow and McKinnon to create limestone sculptures for the Haliburton Sculpture Forest over a three-week period. The Symposium ends June 13, with the official unveiling of the sculptures coming in July.

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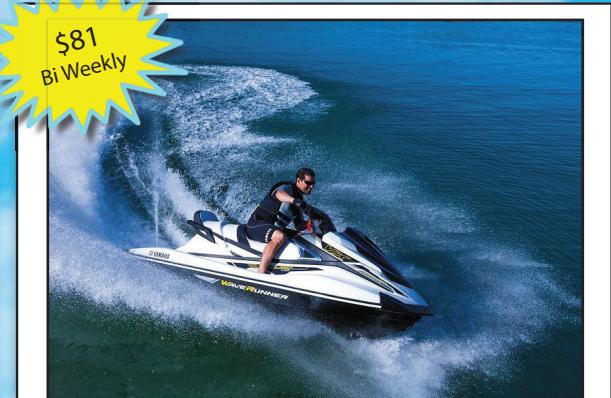
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Point in Time in fine form, membership hears

JENN WATT

Editor

Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents used its annual general meeting as a platform to celebrate

staff and community achievements.

There was the message from the board president and executive director and the report from the auditor, as one would expect, but there was also food, laughter and a lengthy recognition ceremony.

This is a typical AGM for the organization that served more than 900 chil-

dren and youth in Haliburton County over the last year.

Point in Time provides resources for young people and families including counselling, art therapy, youth justice, respite, day camp and family supports among others.

For employees reaching milestones from five to 15 years of service, plaques were given out as executive director Marg Cox told the membership about the role each team member played.

It's been a challenge at times, she said, noting the organization went through the time-consuming accreditation process over the last year and has also played a key role managing a community crisis.

"With the tragedy of losing a member of the student body at Hal High, we provided counselling and supports to students at Hal High and feeder schools," Cox told the Echo in an interview after the meeting.

During the last year, the organization also underwent a detailed accreditation process, which involved meticulous work from staff. The outcome, however, is worth it, Cox said.

"It's great our community knows our organization provides that quality of service to the community. It's a real achievement," she said during the AGM.

Accreditation means that the organization has undergone a thorough third-party review of its management practices to ensure it is meeting the accepted standards in the industry at all levels including programming, services, management and governance.

The organization also received praise from its auditor, BDO Canada LLP.

"I'm happy to report that we found the financial affairs of Point in Time to be in good order," reported BDO's Jason Becker at the meeting.

"I think it is fair to say Point in Time is financially healthy, [and] well positioned to continue providing much needed support services to children, youth and families in the area."

Cox and board president Sandy Adams thanked outgoing board members Marie Gage and Pete Sanderson for

their time and dedication to the organization and welcomed two new members: Peter Smith and Colby Marcellus.

Adams also presented a motion to change the bylaws allowing board members to serve three consecutive three-year terms. Previously, the rules only allowed two consecutive three-year terms.

Adams explained this change came from board member feedback. Members said they felt the amount of experience they gained in their first two terms could be well used in a final three-year term, as it takes years to get up to speed on all of the nuances of the role.

The motion was accepted by the membership.

Besides staff members who were recognized for their years at Point in Time, three community members were given special certificates. Terriann Hurd was thanked for gathering donations for families served by Point in Time (even though she lives in Durham Region); high school teacher Martin Gage was recognized for his work on Mindfulness Martial Arts, which was implemented at the school; and high school vice-principal David Waito was given a certificate for his commitment to improving mental health with the students at HHSS.

To see more photos from the event, go to haliburtonecho.ca.

Point in Time By the Numbers

- 217 - number of clients served by the early intervention team
- 247 - number of clients who received counselling and play therapy
- 14 - number of children sponsored to attend camp programs
- 81 - number of children who attended after school recreation in April, 2016
- 49 - number of children receiving support from the Family Support Team
- 50 - number of youth receiving support from Differential Response, Attendance Centre and Youth Justice
- 149 - number of children at the adventure day camp
- 35 - number of children receiving respite services

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Dawn Hurd was congratulated for her 15 years with Point in Time at their AGM on June 6 at the Haliburton Curling Club. From left, Sandy Adams, Hurd and Marg Cox. See photos of all those recognized at haliburtonecho.ca JENN WATT Staff

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At this time of the year, there is nothing in the world more delicious than freshly picked, steamed asparagus. The first spear poking through the cool spring soil is a much-anticipated event. More often than not, it is snapped off and eaten raw by the "other half" as he drives by with the lawn mower. What follows is four to six weeks of positively nasty smelling urine!

You see, asparagus contains a unique compound, asparagusic acid that breaks down into some sulfur-containing molecules as the body digests the vegetable. Recognized as far back as the late 1700s, Benjamin Franklin wrote in a letter to the Royal Academy of Brussels, "A few stems of asparagus eaten, shall give our urine a disagreeable odour..." and Marcel Proust remarked asparagus "transforms my chamber-pot into a flask of perfume." It should be noted that science has confirmed that not all people produce the smelly urine and that not all folks can smell it even if it is produced.

One of a handful of perennial vegetables, the other local notable being rhubarb, asparagus is one of the oldest vegetables in cultivation. Historical records show the plant as an offering in an Egyptian frieze dated about 3,000 B.C. Early Mediterranean cultures used asparagus both as a food and a medicinal herb. The Roman Emperor Augustus created an "Asparagus Fleet" that transported fresh asparagus high into the Alps to be frozen for later use at festivals. According to Wikipedia, the oldest known book of recipes, *De re coquinaria (On the Subject of Cooking)* dated from the late 4th century, includes a recipe for asparagus.

With such a long history of cultivation, one might think there would be an abundance of varieties available but that is not the case. Depending on where you live, there might be up to a dozen choices, however most seed catalogues usually list only one or two and almost always offer crowns (dormant plants) rather than seed. That is because it is a fiddle to grow from seed and it takes an extra year to get to the point of first harvest.

Asparagus is a botanical cousin of garlic and onion but the closest relatives are some Haliburton County native woodland plants, Solomon's Seal, Three-leaved Smilacina, Canada Mayflower and False Solomon's Seal.

When starting an asparagus bed you need to find a spot in full sun that is pretty level and has excellent drainage. Haliburton County is perfect for the drainage but the lovely "hilliness" can be a problem, especially when weeding. You also need to make sure the site is free of aggressive weeds, grass and even pretty native plants like goldenrod or butterfly weed, all plants that would compete with the vegetable.

A fine choice offered by both William Dam Seeds and Stokes Seeds here in Ontario is called "Millennium Hybrid". Rated five stars by Cornell University, this asparagus was developed by the University of Guelph to withstand our Canadian winters and unpredictable spring frosts that can damage the plants. It is an all male hybrid that produces more spears and lives longer than some other all-male varieties. (Female plants spend energy making seeds and are less desirable.)

Asparagus plants are heavy feeders so the bed needs lots of organic matter added in the beginning and in the years to follow. My go-to garden guide, *Crockett's Victory Garden* advises digging a 12-inch trench, loosening the soil in the bottom of the trench, then adding four inches of composted manure. Place the dormant crowns in the trench with roots spread out like a flattened octopus and cover. That's the easy part.

Now you have to wait two years before your first harvest. I think the folks on the Country Trading Com-

pany blog say it best when they note, "Growing asparagus at home isn't a crop, it's a relationship."

And so it is – a relationship. We were very lucky that the previous owners of our property started the asparagus bed so we didn't have the two-year wait. Our contribution is to weed every spring and fall and add an inch or two of compost or manure in the fall when the bags of sheep poop go on sale.

Back to the important part, picking and eating! When in season, asparagus plants can grow six inches in a single day so be sure to get out there and harvest regularly. The spears are best when they are about seven or eight inches tall and you can either cut them at soil level with a sharp knife or just bend the stem and it will snap off where it is tender.

After a few weeks the spears will be smaller and it is important to stop harvesting when the diameter of the spear is less than that of a pencil. Let the plant go to "leaf" and produce the lovely, five-foot tall, lacy foliage that will feed the plants for the seasons ahead. Now sit back and start anticipating next year's first juicy spear.

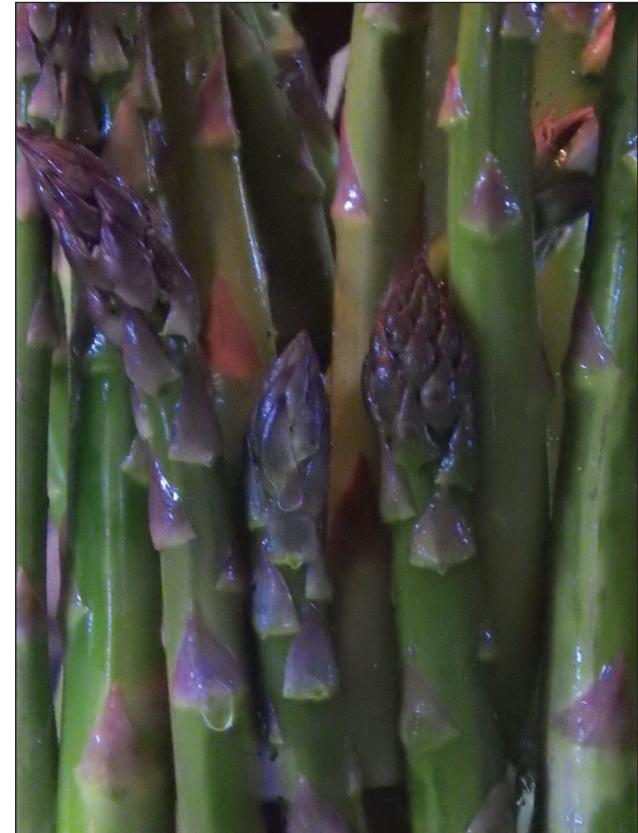
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Haliburton Lions mark international club's 100th anniversary

JENN WATT

Editor

One hundred years ago, a businessman in Chicago named Melvin Jones launched an international service club that would go on to become the largest in the world: the Lions Clubs International.

After spending time in a business club dedicated to the financial interests of its members, Jones was inspired to harness the ambition and skills of the men to create something that would better the wider world.

On June 7, the Haliburton and District Lions Club marked the 100th anniversary of the founding of Lions Clubs International by raising a special flag at the A.J. LaRue arena in Haliburton and recognizing the work of community member Dale Walker with the Melvin Jones Fellowship.

"Lions Clubs in Haliburton has donated to the foundation in Dale's name in honour of her many, many years of dedicated service to the health services foundation and the health services in Haliburton County," said Lion Jim Frost.

Lion Mary Lawr explained Jones's role in founding the service club and her pride in being part of the bigger picture.

"[Jones] formed Lions Club International in an effort to make our world a better place by encouraging service-minded people to serve their communities, particularly those less fortunate than ourselves. One hundred years later, Lions Clubs International is the largest service organization in the world today with over 1.4 million members. I'm very proud to be a Lion and I find it very appropriate that Dale Walker's presented this award on the Lions' 100th birthday. We serve our community," Lawr said.



Members of the Haliburton and District Lions Club gathered at the A.J. LaRue arena in Haliburton on June 7 to raise the 100th anniversary flag. They also awarded Dale Walker, back row left in blue, with the Melvin Jones Fellowship for her work in raising funds for local health care. /JENN WATT Staff



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The Haliburton and District Lions Club awarded Dale Walker with the Melvin Jones Fellowship on the 100th anniversary of Lions Clubs International. The award recognizes her commitment to funding health care in the Haliburton Highlands. Walker retired from her post as the executive director of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation on May 31. From left, Lions members Mary Lawr and Gerald Hadley, award recipient Dale Walker, and Lions Club member Jim Frost.

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BioBlitz to document local species

ROBERT MACKENZIE

Staff Reporter

More than 40 scientists will be pulling an all-nighter at the Dahl Forest June 24 as part of Haliburton's first ever BioBlitz.

A BioBlitz is a gathering of scientists to document as many living species in a specific area as possible over a 24 hour period. According to Mary-Lou Gerstl, board chair of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, although BioBlitzes have been growing in popularity, this is the first event of its kind in the county.

The BioBlitz was organized by the land trust in order to educate about species at risk and how vulnerable the animal population is, while at the same time showcasing the Dahl Forest – a property donated to the land trust that Gerstl says many people are still unaware of. "It's such a great educational tool for the community, young and old," she said. "It's a great showcase for the land trust and what we do, because a lot of people still don't know."

Gerstl said Ed Poropat, a biologist

and member of the land trust, has been recruiting the scientists, and that between 40 and 50 will be participating in the event. The different species that scientists document could be any living thing, from dragonflies to birds to trees, depending on the specialties and preferences of each scientist.

The BioBlitz will be taking place from 11 a.m. on June 24 to 11 a.m. June 25. Along with the species documentation, there will be eight guided walks by scientists and a lively presentation by Scales Nature Park. Gerstl hopes the event will engage members of the community, while at the same time gathering information to gauge the future effects climate change will have on the species.

This is one of three land trust events this summer celebrating Canada 150. The land trust was approved more than \$29,000 for these projects through the government's Canada 150 Fund.

Those planning on attending one of the guided walks are asked to go on the land trust website to register, as the scientists leading them will only be able to handle around 20 people.



The Dahl Forest will host the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust's upcoming BioBlitz June 24. The event will see more than 40 scientists attempting to identify as many species as they can in a 24-hour period. There will also be guided walks and other events over the course of the Blitz. FILE PHOTO

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— Mary-Lou Gerstl, board chair of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust


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Haliburton County's First BioBlitz

Starting on Saturday, June 24 at 11:00 am and finishing on Sunday, June 25 at 11:00 am at Dahl Forest - 1307 Geeza Road, just south of Gelert, off Gelert Road (County Road 1) This intensive field study, conducted by scientists and naturalists, will attempt to record as many living species as possible within Dahl Forest. The general public is invited to register for a number of guided walks led by experts during the day and night. Come and learn more about biodiversity and help find and identify species.

Don't be disappointed, register today for guided hikes and workshops. www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca

Schedule of Events

Saturday, June 24, 2017 (guided hikes are about 1 hour)

- 12:00pm - Introduction to Odonates (Dragonflies & Damselflies) – Kyle Holloway
- 12:30pm - Fish & Aquatic Invertebrates – Presentation with Paul Finigan & Brian Round
- 1:00pm - Tree Identification – Jim Hopkins
- 4:00 pm - Introduction to Butterflies – Dan Bone
- 8:00pm - Evening Bird Identification – Thom Lambert
- 10:00pm - Bat Biology and ID – Jon Boxall
- 10:00pm - Moth Identification – Dave Beadle, Dennis Barry

Sunday, June 25, 2017

- 7:00am - Early Morning Bird Hike – Thom Lambert
- 9:00am - Reptiles and Amphibians (Herps) and the Ontario Reptile and Amphibian Atlas – Emma Horrigan

In addition, for families and less mobile people, we have the wonderful staff from **Scales Nature Park** visiting, and providing an educational program on "**Wetland Wildlife**", with live **reptiles and amphibians** on June 24 at 2:00pm at the main marquee by the main gate.



Film group shares with community

Those Other Movies Haliburton presents the DVDs they're donating to the Haliburton County Public Library at their June 8 screening of *La La Land* at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. It was the not-for-profit's last screening of the season, and 126 people came out to watch the 4:15 p.m. show. /ROBERT MACKENZIE Staff



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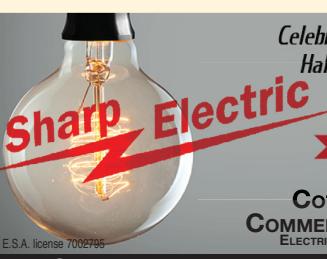
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Shirley through the Looking Glass

JENN WATT

Editor

Shirley Beveridge identifies herself mostly as a hairdresser. Snipping, clipping and colouring since she was a teenager, the Haliburton stylist has always been passionate about helping clients achieve the look they want.

Sometimes that's something as simple as maintaining a woman's perm, other times it involves changing someone's outlook on life.

"They can come in feeling horrible and in 20, 30 minutes they can walk out feeling good," she says.

Beveridge started in the industry when she was 13 as an assistant in a salon with 17 hairdressers.

"It's always something I knew I wanted to do," she says.

Once she'd done her training and learned more about the industry, she opened a salon in Barrie called True Colours, which she ran for five years.

"After five years, I sold the business and moved here," she says.

Beveridge was a hairdresser at Heads Up in Haliburton for many years and recently decided she'd like to go out on her own again.

"Working for them [Heads Up] was wonderful," she says.

Last month, she opened her solo-studio, Looking Glass Salon, on the upper level of 156 Highland Street (formerly Light Hatch yoga studio) above Wind in the Willows Spa.

Now that her son Regan is in his 20s, Beveridge says she was ready to branch out on her own.

She has entirely revamped the space, decorating in lavender with retro-style furniture and a cozy atmosphere.

"I feel very much at home here," she says.

Beveridge also offers a range of services, catering to all



Hairdresser Shirley Beveridge recently opened a new studio called Looking Glass Salon at 156 Highland Street in Haliburton. Beveridge is offering hair cuts, colour, foils, up-dos, and baliage. Her salon is by appointment only. Call or text 705-854-3617 or email shirley.bevy@gmail.com. JENN WATT Staff

types of clientele.

"I do perms and I do roller sets," she says. "I do up-dos, colour, foils, baliage, which is the ombre-style highlights."

She offers men's, women's and children's cuts as well as grooming beards.

The salon is open Tuesday through Friday, including evenings. However, you must book an appointment ahead of time. Call or text Beveridge at 705-854-3617 or email shirley.bevy@gmail.com.

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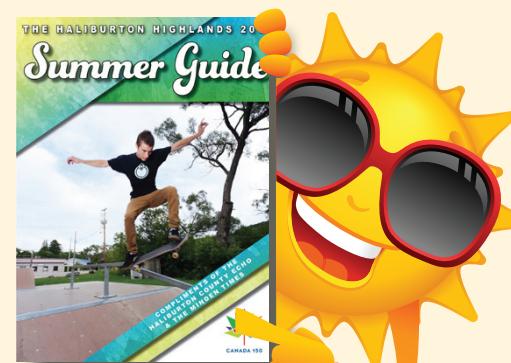
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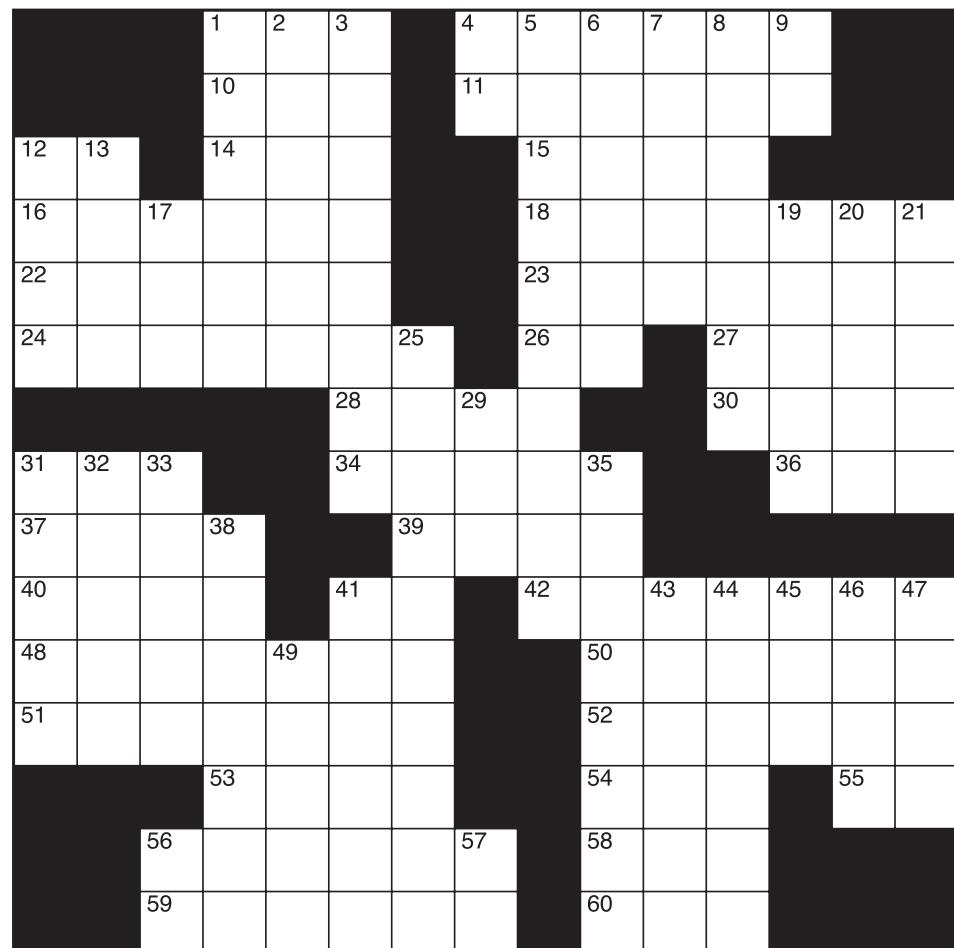
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/DARREN LUM Staff

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- Geological time
- Confidence
- Cerium
- Virtual audio cable
- World's longest river
- A way to inform
- Agents of one's downfall
- Secretly follow
- Put into a position
- Of the desert
- And (Latin)
- Spanish city
- Over there (archaic)
- Regard
- Midway between south and southeast
- Entrap
- Married woman
- A place to explore
- Assist, usually in some wrongdoing
- Arab ruler
- Centiliter
- To which
- "The Friendly Island"
- Inspire with love
- Being cheeky to
- Up
- Middle Eastern country
- Compass point that is one point north of due east
- Thus
- Covered
- Brew
- Enter hostilely

60. Type of bulb

CLUES DOWN

- American state
 - Speaker
 - Courses for cars
 - Deutschmark
 - Beloved "Dubliner"
 - Countries of Asia
 - Hands have them
 - Came down as ice pellets
 - Thou
 - Utter obscenities
 - Hebrew unit of measurement
 - Morse code term
 - Home to the witch trials
 - One who is older
 - Closes violently
 - Unaffiliated
 - Tag the runner
 - Trickeries
 - Polynesian island group
 - Immoralities
 - Extremely delicate
 - Gradual destruction
 - North American country
 - Provide the means to do
 - Fell down on
 - Emergency medical services
 - the line
 - Church booklet
 - Russian ballet
 - Hello
 - Delaware
- Answers on page 22.



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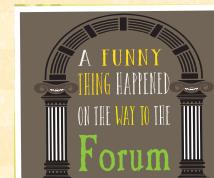
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SIRCH expects surplus by September

ROBERT MACKENZIE

Staff Reporter

After running a deficit in the year prior, SIRCH community services expects to be back in the black by September.

The Haliburton County charity presented their financial statement for the past year in their annual general meeting June 7, which showed a long-term debt of \$100,692. However, the sale on their property off County Road 21 is planned to close in September, which SIRCH believes will bring them back into a surplus.

"It's just optimistic to know that by the end of September we'll be back in the black and maybe have a bit of extra money to use on projects," said SIRCH executive director Gena Robertson.

The School's Cool program, which prepares children aged three

to five for the upcoming school year, is returning to Minden and Haliburton this summer. Last year, SIRCH cancelled the program due to a lack of funds.

This winter SIRCH introduced a "Smash Room" in their Bancroft Thrift Warehouse. The room allows people to purchase chipped or one-off china and glassware that wasn't being sold and throw it at targets on the walls. The Thrift Warehouse increased revenue by more than 18 per cent this year.

The Cook It Up program returned for its third year, giving food service training to nine unemployed or underemployed community members. Four of the nine participants in this year's program are now working in the food service industry. SIRCH's Community Kitchen made almost 4,000 meals this year given to families in the county struggling with poverty or other such circumstances.



From left, Cammy George and Wendy Ladurantaye listen to SIRCH executive director Gena Robertson give her closing remarks at the charity's annual general meeting on June 7. /ROBERT MACKENZIE Staff



Martin lucky winner

Home and Cottage Show convenor Rick Ashall, left, gives draw winner Barrie Martin his prize: a Samsung Galaxy Tab E. Martin was one of about 800 who filled out a ballot at the show June 2, 3 and 4 sponsored by the Haliburton Curling Club. The ballots help organizers understand where show attendees are coming from. /JENN WATT Staff

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Eagle Lake women mark 80 years

JENN WATT

Editor

For the last 80 years, the Eagle Lake Women's Society has been improving lives in the Highlands steadfastly and quietly. Raising money through member dues and quilt raffles, they've funded students' school trips, day camp fees for those in need, scholarships at the high school, and donations to the food bank and hospital.

Their motto: "One may do a great deal of good in this world, if one does not care who gets the credit for it."

Over the last six years, the women's quilt raffles have brought in more than \$11,000 for the community.

During their monthly meetings, the members each bring \$2 that goes into a general fund.

To mark their eighth decade, rather than throw a party, the women decided to take money from their fund and donate it to the YWCA Haliburton.

On Thursday, June 8, they gave the cheque for \$1,000 to Paula Pepping, who came to their meeting to discuss the work the YWCA does in the county.

Pepping has worked with the organization, which assists women and children fleeing violence, for almost 18 years. Her job is to meet with women and give them information on healthy relationships, connect them with resources and assist in whatever choices they make. It doesn't matter if the woman has left the abusive relationship or not, Pepping said, she will provide any help she can.

Many of the women she sees are geographically isolated, making access to services difficult, particularly if they don't have a car. She said she sometimes sees cottagers, but mostly it's local residents.

Three part-time staff members work out of the Minden office and there is a full-time therapist.

The YWCA also administers a program for Grade 7 and 8 girls called Girl Space, which teaches about



Eagle Lake Women's Society president Deborah Worsfold, left, gives a \$1,000 cheque to Paula Pepping of the YWCA Haliburton. The donation marks the 80th anniversary of the women's society. JENN WATT Staff

healthy relationships, safety and being smart about social media. It aims to boost girls' self esteem, she said. There are 18 topics to choose from and the girls will

choose the ones they'd like to explore over the eight to 12 weeks of the program.

The YWCA also provides HERS, the Haliburton Emergency Rural SafeSpace, which provides two units for women and their children. Pepping said each unit can accommodate a woman and three children comfortably.

Society president Deborah Worsfold thanked Pepping for her presentation and the YWCA for helping local women.

The Eagle Lake Women's Society was founded following a tea held March 25, 1937, at the home of Mrs. Lewis Pritchard. The tea was a fundraiser to paint the walls of the cookhouse in Eagle Lake, used for church services, according to records of the society.

Excellent records have been kept over the years including all of the minutes dating back to the founding of the group, said member Ann Harris. However, many of the women's first names are not known as it was common at the time to refer to women by their husbands' names.

The first meeting of the society was held April 21, 1937, at Mrs. William Hathaway's home. She was the first president. In their first year, they raised money for the new church and for local residents who needed help. The first quilt raffled was in 1938, created by Annie Upton.

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Shout Sisters to sing for affordable housing

JENN WATT

Editor

They sing for the joy of it and to better the community.

Each year, the Shout Sister Choir puts on a fundraising concert to bring in dollars for local charities, treating the audience to an evening of uplifting song, goodies and a good cause.

"Our performances are joyful occasions and our audiences respond with delight to our enthusiasm and energy," a press release from the Shout Sisters reads.

Places for People, which provides affordable rental housing in Haliburton County, was chosen as this year's recipient.

In 10 years, Places for People has created six rental units in the county and is currently looking for its next location.

"We're going to try to have our next property in Highlands East," said Fay Martin, vice-president of the charity.

Although Place for People has already been looking in the municipality, the housing stock has made it diffi-

cult to find specifically what they're looking for. They've adjusted their plan and are now seeking single family dwellings in one of the villages: Wilberforce, Gooderham or Cardiff. Having housing in settlement areas lessens the need for a vehicle for low-income families that are the target tenants of Places for People.

Martin encourages anyone in those areas with housing for sale – or lease – to get in touch: info@placesforpeople.ca.

"We're open for biz," she said. "We'll consider anything."

However, there are some restrictions. As a charitable group providing affordable housing, their budget isn't huge. If the agreement is a lease, it needs to be at least five years so that the tenants can feel secure that they won't have to relocate in the near future.

Funds from the community assist Places for People in acquiring new properties and keeping them up.

The concert will take place Friday, June 16 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 7:30. Tickets are \$15, children 12 and younger get in for free. Get your tickets by contacting a choir member or buy them at the door.

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Walking tour will highlight our history

Haliburton's historic landmarks are visited during this informative tour

By LEN PIZZEY
Editor

Up to now very few people who visited Haliburton had an opportunity to learn much about its past. To a casual tourist, and perhaps even to most cottagers, Haliburton is simply a resort town, filled with essential services and a wide variety of retail outlets, but with no obvious sense of history. Yet people with wider knowledge of the community know that its origins go back more than 120 years, and that people lived, worked, socialized and grew prosperous here long before the lakes were ringed with cottages and resorts.

To help fill in the gap between an all but forgotten past and thriving present, and to provide visitors with an educational and entertaining diversion this summer, a group of local people have mapped out an historical walk of Haliburton. Led by Leopoldina Dobrzensky, whose recently published book 'Fragments of a Dream' uncovered a wealth of detail about the early days of settlement in Haliburton, the walk guides will point out a large number of historically significant buildings which still grace the community - though some of them have been greatly altered over the years. They'll also add some of their own insights into Haliburton's past.

The walks begin at the town dock and end at the Rails' End Gallery. In between, walkers will get to glimpse some of the history that lies just beneath Haliburton's bustling surface, and will perhaps come away with a new appreciation of the energy and spirit that animated the community's earliest settlers, and that can still be found in abundance among those who continue to 'settle' in today's Haliburton.

A number of historical photographs have been enlarged and will be carried by the walk guides to give participants a better sense of what the community looked like in earlier days.

The walk begins with a brief outline of the earliest days of settlement in the area, and proceeds to St. George's Church. The first church on the site was a log structure built in 1864 by Charles Stewart, first resident agent of the Canadian Land and Emigration Company. A second church replaced it in 1870, and can be seen in a photograph accompanying this article. It was of frame construction, in 'carpenter's Gothic' style. It burned to the ground in 1920, and was replaced by the present church, which was patterned after the earlier building. The rectory was built in 1899, probably by William Prust, a former township clerk, and remains essentially unchanged.

Northeast of the church stood Hiram Sawyer's Dominion Hotel, and on the hill behind was Haliburton's first school, built in 1865 and now also gone from the scene.

The street now known locally as Mountain Street was in fact the main entrance into Haliburton in its earliest days, and walkers will follow it to Municipal Block C, site of the first town hall and the present municipal offices. The first hall was completed in 1871 but burned down in 1895 and was replaced by the present brick structure. It had a stage for theatrical performances in those days, and once hosted the famous Indian poet Pauline Johnson.

Across from the present municipal office is one of the oldest houses in the community, the Ritchey house, built in 1871. On the opposite corner is the Lucas house, a beautiful Victorian style brick home, still one of the largest in the community, which dates from 1907. It was once the home of John Albert Lucas, owner of the Grand Central Hotel. The house had the first modern bathroom in the village and was once equipped with carbide gas lights.

Farther along on the walk, guides will point out

two brick houses built in the 1880's to replace wooden homes that had been constructed on the sites in 1871. Nearby stood James Dover's store and the village's first post office.

At the corner of Highland and Maple Streets, walkers will see Prust Hall, a substantial brick building that has been added to over the years and now houses Black's Home Hardware. Between this building and the Drag River bridge a number of large homes once stood, and details about them and their owners will be provided.

Walkers will pause on the bridge over the Drag River to hear about the village's first settler, Casey Willett Austin, whose rough cabin stood nearby,

and to glimpse the history of the grist mills and sawmills that have been built on the site and disappeared for various reasons over the years.

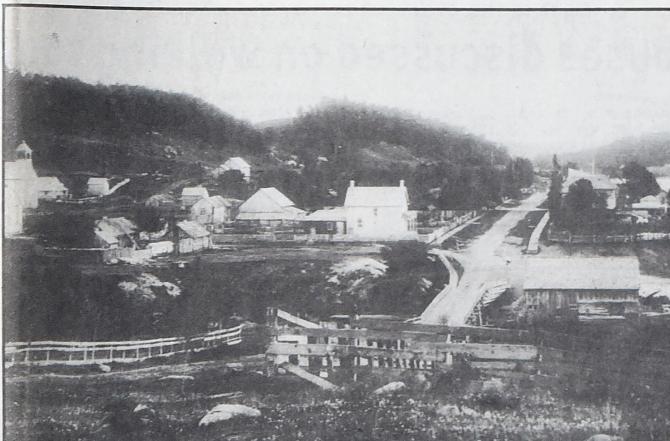
Other highlights of this portion of the walk include Banks Store, built in 1881 and the oldest commercial building in the village, the Orange

Hall, and Victoria Street School, which was built in 1924 to replace an earlier wooden school erected in 1874.

Another of the oldest and best preserved structures in the village is the Gainforth house

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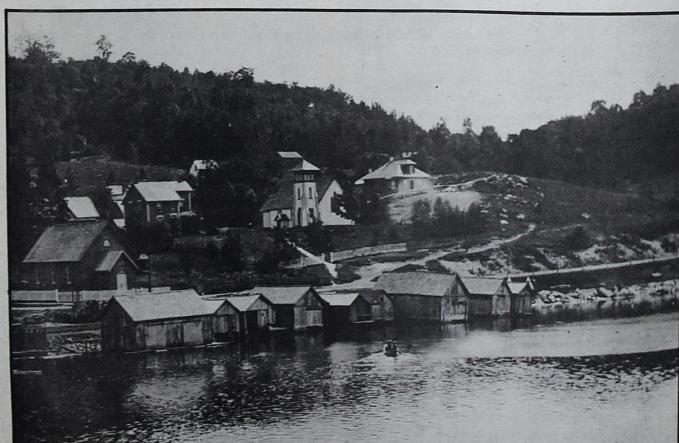
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of bustling Haliburton,
signs of the past
can still be glimpsed



A look west at the main street as it was in the late 1880s



Haliburton's cricket grounds in the 1880s, now the site of the Dysart Arena



Looking south at the site of St. George's Anglican Church



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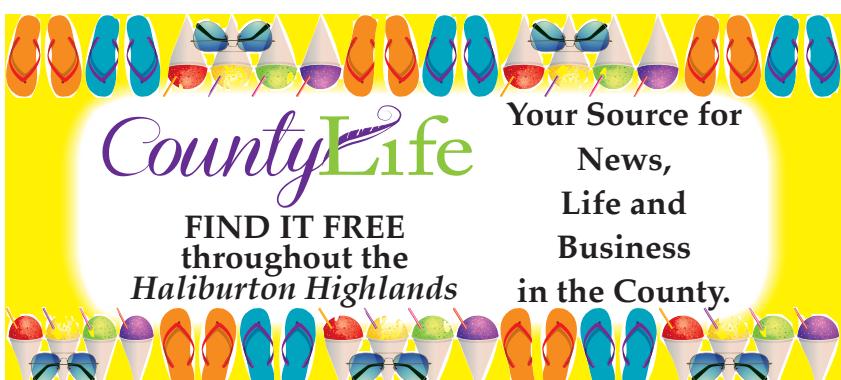
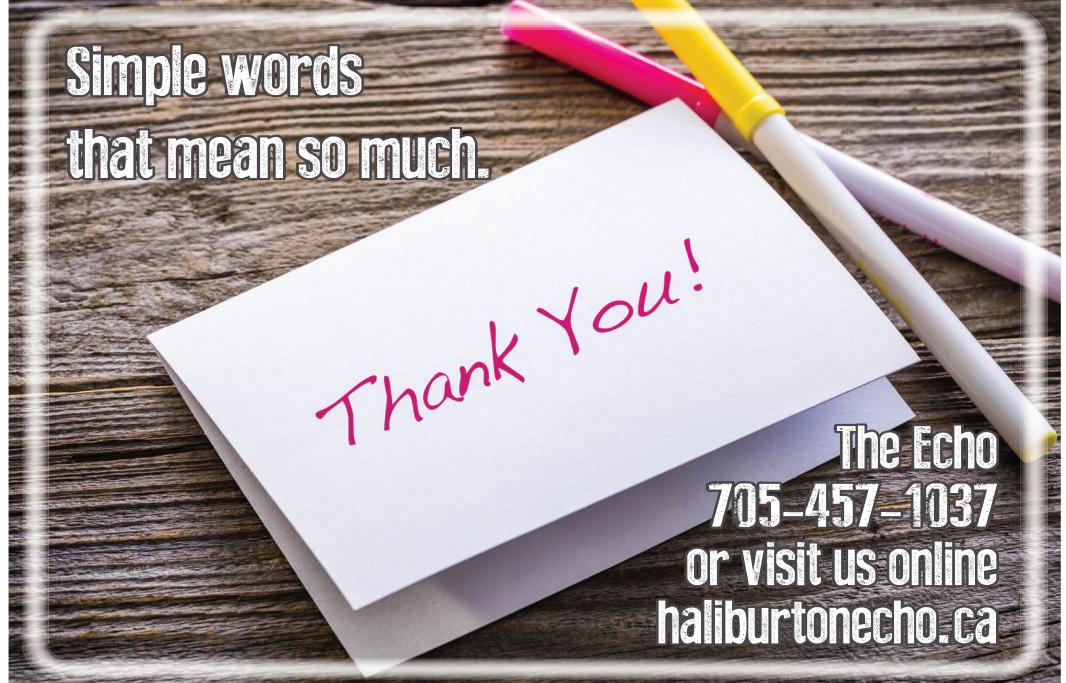
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 So he put his arms around you
 And whispered "Come to me".
 With tearful eyes we watched you
 And saw you fade away
 Although we loved you dearly
 We could not make you stay.
 Many times we'll think of you
 Many times we'll cry
 If love only could have saved you
 You never would have died.
 A golden heart stopped beating
 Your tender hands at rest
 God took you home to prove to us
 He only takes the best.*

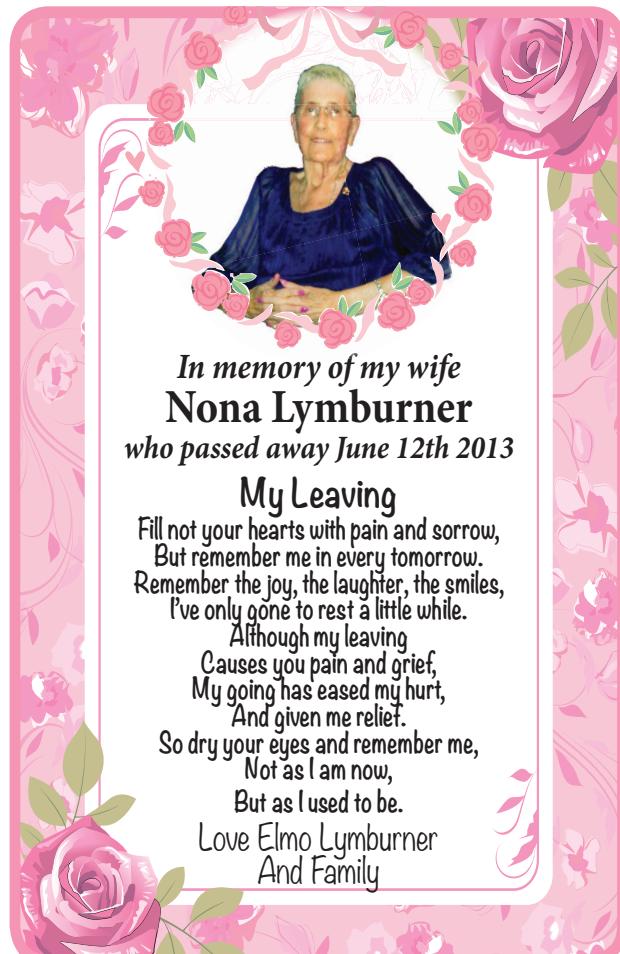
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 Until we meet again,
 Love Doug & Family*

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*In memory of my wife
 Nona Lymburner
 who passed away June 12th 2013*

My Leaving

*Fill not your hearts with pain and sorrow,
 But remember me in every tomorrow.
 Remember the joy, the laughter, the smiles,
 I've only gone to rest a little while.
 Although my leaving
 Causes you pain and grief,
 My going has eased my hurt,
 And given me relief.
 So dry your eyes and remember me,
 Not as I am now,
 But as I used to be.
 Love Elmo Lymburner
 And Family*



650 OBITUARIES



In Loving Memory of Donald "Don" Nelson Sisson

*Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Thursday, June 8, 2017,
 at the age of 92.*

Beloved husband of late Marjory Mary Sisson (nee Carr). Dear father of Brent (deceased) and Martin (Vicki). Loving grandfather of "little" Marty, Robert "Bobby" (deceased), Alexander (Jesse), Mary (Devan) and great grandfather of Isobel. Survived by his brother Ray, predeceased by his brothers Andy, Brant, Calvin, Carl, Holly, Max and by his sisters Ina, Ida, Mae and Vivian. Lovingly remembered by his family and friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the St. Peter's Anglican Church, Maple Lake on Monday, June 12, 2017 from 11:00 am until the time of the Service to Celebrate Don's Life at 1:00 pm. Interment at St. Peter's Cemetery. Reception to follow back at the church (downstairs).

Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.

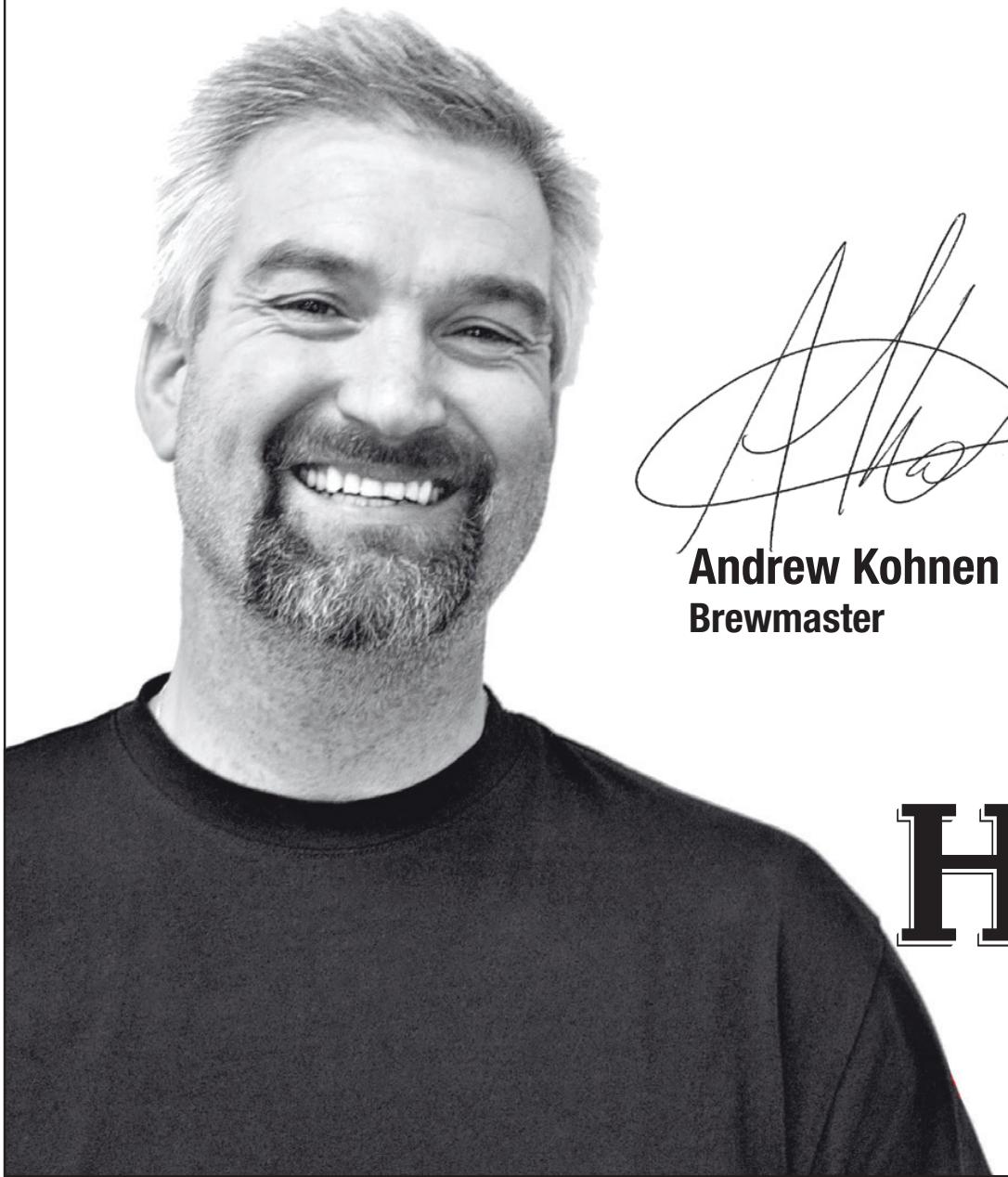


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